STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC CO. D/B/A NATIONAL GRID'S 2021-2023 ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM PLAN AND 2021 ANNUAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN – DOCKET NO. 5076

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL SESSION

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1-1 and 42-46-6, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) gives notice that it is conducting a Technical Session on **Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 12:00 P.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The Technical Session will be streamed live at http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg.

This docket relates to the PUC's review of National Grid's (National Grid) 2021-2023 Three-Year Energy Efficiency Program Plan and 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program Plan (collectively, the Combined Plan). The Combined Plan is submitted pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 39-1-27.7(c) and the Least Cost Procurement Standards as approved by the PUC in Docket No. 5015. The Combined Plan is a settlement between National Grid, the Office of Energy Resources (OER), the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, (Division), the Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC), Acadia Center, and the Green Energy Consumers Alliance (collectively, the Settlement Parties). The Combined Plan proposed budgets to implement electric and natural gas energy efficiency programs to Rhode Island energy consumers. The 2021-2023 Energy Efficiency Program Plan provided an implementation plan that includes illustrative and provisional ranges of budgets, associated potential resulting system benefits charges, and savings goals for the three years of implementation. It will guide the development of subsequent annual plans.

At an Open Meeting on December 22, 2020, the PUC approved budgets for the Company's electric and gas programs. The PUC deferred consideration and decision on the transfer of funds to the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank, under Sections 11.4 and 11.5 of the Annual Energy Efficiency Program Plan, and the performance incentive mechanism (PIM) and its associated components for both electric and gas, including restricting National Grid from allocating funds to the electric and gas shareholder incentive, until further discovery.

At the Technical Session, the PUC will continue discussion and examination of outstanding issues as follows:

12pm-2pm Review of PowerPoint presentation on Performance Incentives that was presented at Open Meeting on January 22, 2021.

2pm-3pm Transfer of SBC funds to the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank

The docket may be examined at the PUC's office. The docket can also be accessed at http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/5076page.html. Reference is made to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk February 1, 2021